

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the first full paragraph on page 1 with the following rewritten paragraph:

**Field of the Invention**

The present invention relates to a plug for sealing holes in a vehicle body, comprising a central closure section and an engaging section arranged on the rim and provided for receiving portions of the vehicle body.

Please replace the second full paragraph on page 1 with the following rewritten paragraph:

**Background of the Invention**

Vehicle body plugs of this type are commonly known. The plugs are meant to protect holes, which are provided in the vehicle body and are required for manufacturing the vehicle body, against humidity and corrosion. The known plugs, however, do not allow a permanent and full sealing of the holes.

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**Summary of the Invention**

In comparison with this, the invention provides a vehicle body plug which can be produced at low cost, is easy to install and makes possible a full sealing of the sheet metal edges also with differing plate thicknesses and various collar heights of the hole. Moreover, the vehicle body plug according to the invention can be applied prior to painting of the vehicle body as well as after it.

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**Brief Description of the Drawings**

Further advantages of the invention will be apparent from the following description of a preferred embodiment in conjunction with the attached drawings in which:

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**Description of Example Embodiments**

The plug 10 shown in the Figures has a central closure section 12 and an engaging section 14 arranged on the rim and provided for receiving portions of the vehicle body, for instance the edges of holes or collars in the sheet metal.